



[The LORD said,] "You shall not oppress or afflict a resident alien, for you were once aliens residing in the land of Egypt." —EXODUS 22:20

PEXELS

God's Lessons of Love

The readings today are all about love. The first reading tells us *who* we should love; the Gospel tells us *how* we should love. We know that it is not difficult to love those who love us, who are kind and generous to us, who make us feel that we are important. The reading from Exodus moves us in a different direction. We are to love the alien, the widow, the orphan, and the poor neighbor. In a patriarchal society, such as was ancient Israel, aliens, widows, and orphans were the ultimate outsiders. They had no male relative through whom they would benefit from the kinship structure. While the neighbor might be of the same tribe or clan, it is the poor neighbor who was to be loved, the one who might be a drag on one's life and resources.

In other words, we are to love the ones who cannot

promise to make our lives more comfortable or enjoyable. In fact, the point of loving them is to make *their* lives more comfortable and enjoyable.

How are we to love them? The Gospel reading offers two different answers that are really very much alike. We are to love God totally, with all our heart, all our soul, all our mind. We are to love others as we love ourselves, with all our heart, all our soul, all our mind. More practically, we must do for others what we would do for ourselves, for to love them is to love God.

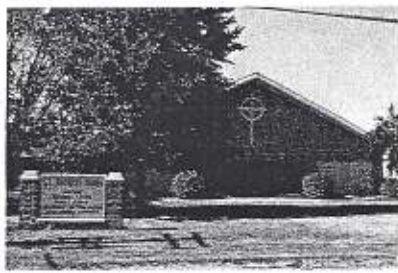
—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- ★ Who are the outsiders or people living on the margins of your society?
- ★ What might you do to make their lives more comfortable or enjoyable?



Holy Trinity Catholic Church



St. Thomas More Catholic Church



St. Patrick Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule

Weekdays - Tuesday 12:15pm and

Thursday - 8:30am

Saturday Confessions - 3:15-3:45 PM
or by appointment

Saturday Vigil Mass - 4:00 PM

Sunday Mass - 8:30 AM

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****Upcoming Events At Church****

All Events On Hold

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Mass Schedule

Weekday Mass -

Wednesday & Friday - 8:00AM

Saturday Vigil Mass - 5:30 PM

Sunday (Last Chance) Mass-
5:30 PM

Adoration Room

Open Monday-Saturday 9AM-8PM

Sunday - 9AM - 6PM

Divine Mercy Prayers

Every Friday 3:00PM

****Upcoming Events At Church****

All Events On Hold

St. Patrick Church

(Office at Holy Trinity Church)

106 Church St.

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Mass Schedule

Sunday Mass - 10:30 AM

***3 Churches Pastoral Assistant**

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****Office Hours****

Holy Trinity - Tues, Thurs, & Fri.
- 9AM-12PM

St. Thomas More -

Wed - 9AM - 12PM

****Facebook:** Use Link on Home
Page - www.bureaucatholic.org

****Upcoming Events At Church****

All Events On Hold

Daily Mass Intentions for
Masses the Week of October 26, 2020

Monday No Mass

Tuesday **Facebook Link - 9:00AM**STM

Wednesday **www.bureaucatholic.org/Facebook Link - 5:30PM**HT

Thursday **www.bureaucatholic.org/Facebook Link - 9:00AM**HT

Friday **Facebook Link - 9:00AM **STM

† No Mass

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Next Weekend's Mass Intentions

Weekend of October 31-November 1, 2020

Saturday: **Facebook Link - 4:00PM **STM

Sunday: **www.bureaucatholic.org/Facebook Link - 9:00 AM**HT

St. Patrick, Arlington - 10:30 AM (No Streaming)

****St. Thomas More, Dalzell - 6:00 PM (Last Chance Communion) † No Mass (Only Holy Communion)**

(Recommendation Watch Our Mass Online Or EWTN Mass Before Receiving Communion)**

Offered For

† Eugene Weberski

For The Parishioners

† William Bonnell

Latest Offering's

Holy Trinity - \$0.00
St. Patrick - \$0.00
St. Thomas More - \$0.00

Visit Venerable Fulton Sheen At Cathedral in Peoria

Monday - Friday 12pm - 2pm
Saturday 3pm - 5pm
(Re-Opened Again)

Ministry Schedule For Next Weekend

Holy Trinity

LECTOR

Saturday - 4:00PM - ?
Sunday - 8:30AM - ?

SERVERS

Saturday - 4:00PM -
?
Sunday - 8:30AM - ?

COUNTERS

Sunday - 8:30AM -
? & ?

Mass Intentions

We are in need of Mass Intentions for weekday Masses. The Masses on the web are a great occasion for family members not living in this area to pray with us for family members who have died. Please consider having a weekday Mass for a deceased member of your family and thank you. Mass intentions can be paid through our online giving program, mail or dropping by our office.

Recurring Special Church Events

Wednesday's - Rosary - 6PM

(On Website)

(After Wednesday HT Evening Mass)

Friday's - Divine Mercy Chaplet -

On Facebook- 3PM -

St. Thomas More Adoration Chapel

In This Month Of The Holy Rosary

If we watch the news, things are not good in the world or our country! Evil is everywhere! As we see these things going on, praying the rosary every day is especially important for all of us. And you don't need to be Catholic to pray the rosary!

The news out of Heaven continues to remind us to be prepared for events that will lead to much death in the world. Even things that will keep many souls from Heaven. So what can we do? First of all, PRAY and PRAY the Rosary as often as possible.

Second, our homes, farms and churches are important to all of us. We need them for shelter. And there are things spiritually which can be done by you to protect them. Pray the prayers for protection of homes along with using Exorcised Salt and Water in the prescribed prayers which are available in the back of the church or by the doors of the church. But the prayers need to be prayed from the heart and not just read. Our Heavenly Father wants to feel your sincere desire for them to be protected. And He will help us.

The Exorcised Water and Salt is in two places: St. Patrick and St. Thomas More as of this weekend. For the water, a clean sprayer that can shoot a tight stream would be best to spray around doorways, windows or other openings (like vents) to outside the home. The salt is in little baggies which should be sufficient to use for the prayers.

Third, we've started a Cross (Crucifix) drive so all of our important rooms where we live, and spend a lot of time, can have the protection of the crucified Jesus to keep evil away. Crosses are very good to put over doorways. They are even great to reverence leaving to and returning from dangerous occupations or activities (like firemen, police, medical care, etc.).

Confessions

The next confessions will in the St. Thomas More Church Hall on Saturday, October 31st from 11-11:45am.

This Week's Update

I will be on retreat during the week other than a funeral on Wednesday at Holy Trinity. I will be praying for all of you while I get some time in prayer away from distractions.

A week from Monday, November 2nd, is All Souls Day. Like before, we will have some 7 day candles available for \$5 each if you would like to remember your loved ones, either individuals or the deceased members of a family. If you are not comfortable coming to Mass, we can also label a candle for you if you want just drop the money by to the office or mail it to the office. I have only bought a limited amount of candles because of limited attendance so please call the office to make sure we have a candle available!

The Crucifix sale will continue to November 4th if anyone is interested in spiritual protection for your homes. Just like in the vampire movies, the devil stays away from crucifixes, so they are very useful to protect us. You should have received an order sheet in a mailer sent out earlier this week. Also there are order sheets in the back of the churches. The crucifixes are small in size so they can be placed above doorways and they range from 5" to 7" in size and are \$15 to \$49 each.

This weekend we celebrate the 30th Sunday of Ordinary Time. We hear Jesus giving us His two greatest commandments which encompass the Ten Commandments. If we truly love God, we will love everybody around us. Even those that are difficult to love through our human weakness! Please stay close to Christ, we need Him now more than ever! Fr. Pat Fixsen

HOLY TRINITY, ST. PATRICK & ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH

CRUCIFIX ORDER SHEET

October 10, 2020

ORDERS DUE BY:

October 25th

NOVEMBER 4th

Buyer's Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Church: _____

All orders need to be paid for before order is placed

	5" \$15		5-1/2" \$19		6-1/2" \$49		7" \$39	Total Price
								Total Price
Total Orders								

Seller's Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Crucifix Sale



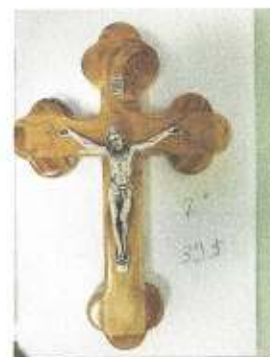
5" Cross - \$15



5-1/2" Cross - \$19



6-1/2" Cross - \$49



7" Cross - \$39

The Catholic Church recommends putting the Blessed Crosses above the doorways of rooms used frequently (ie., Dining Rooms, Bedrooms, Living Rooms, Kitchen, etc). Father can't bless them until after they are purchased. So we need to place an order for the olive wood crosses and then when received they will be blessed and provided to all of you! Please if you are interested, please call or email our office or fill out an order sheet which is available in each church.

Dear Padre,

When I was young, we always prayed for “the poor souls in purgatory.” Is this because some go to hell and some go to heaven?

On the feast of All Souls' Day, we remember all of our faithful departed. Most of them are already with God in heaven. But some of them might still need some purification. Those needing purification from the temporal punishment still due to their sins are in purgatory. These people aren't damned. They are the elect and are friends of God. They are already saved, assured of salvation. There is no going to hell from purgatory. There is only upward movement to heaven.

There has always been an ancient tradition in the Church that there exists a strong bond between the faithful who die and those of us who are still alive. The Church especially emphasizes the mutual help that Christians on earth and in purgatory give to one another by their prayers. It is the belief of the Church that our prayers lessen the amount of time a person could spend in purgatory. Our prayers speed their journey into the fullness of God's love.

On this upcoming All Saints' Day (November 1) and All Souls' Day (November 2), we are invited to unite with all the faithful Christians, living and dead. These feast days are our opportunities to pray for and with them and to receive the benefits of their prayers for us in return.

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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

All of us, living and dead, are in communion, that is, as a union; united in the community of those who have received baptism, and of those who are nourished by the Body of Christ....We are all the same family, united. For this reason, we pray for each other.

—GENERAL AUDIENCE, NOVEMBER 30, 2016



Calendar

Monday

OCTOBER 26

Weekday

Eph 4:32—5:8

Lk 13:10–17

Tuesday

OCTOBER 27

Weekday

Eph 5:21–33

Lk 13:18–21

Wednesday

OCTOBER 28

Sts. Simon and Jude,

Apostles

Eph 2:19–22

Lk 6:12–16

Thursday

OCTOBER 29

Weekday

Eph 6:10–20

Lk 13:31–35

Friday

OCTOBER 30

Weekday

Phil 1:1–11

Lk 14:1–6

Saturday

OCTOBER 31

Weekday

Phil 1:18b–26

Lk 14:1, 7–11

Sunday

NOVEMBER 1

All Saints

Rv 7:2–4, 9–14

1 Jn 3:1–3

Mt 5:1–12a